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YORK INTRODUCES RESOLUTION SUPPORTING ARMED FORCES

(Leesburg, VA – March 20, 2003) Chairman Scott K. York (I-At Large) will be submitting a resolution to be considered by the Board of Supervisors at its next meeting expressing the Board of Supervisors support for the men and women in America's armed forces engaged in the war in Iraq.

"I have nothing but the greatest respect for the men and women of our armed forces who are putting their lives on the line to protect our freedoms," said York. "This resolution appropriately recognizes the sacrifices they are making for our country and recognizes as well the burden their loved ones are enduring during their absence. I am confident that with the responses I have received from Board members that this resolution will pass."

Text of Resolution

Whereas the President of the United States, with the authorization of Congress, has ordered military action against Iraq;

Whereas more than 200,000 men and women of the United States Armed Forces, including residents of Loudoun County, are now involved in armed conflict;

Whereas the members of the Loudoun County Board of Supervisors and the residents of Loudoun County have the greatest pride in the men and women of the United States Armed Forces;

Whereas the members of the Loudoun County Board of Supervisors recognize and commend the continuing dedication, selfless service, and commitment of the members of the Armed Forces and their families. Now, therefore, be it

Resolved, that the Loudoun County Board of Supervisors:

- 1. Unequivocally supports the men and women of our Armed Forces who are carrying out their missions with professional excellence, dedicated patriotism and exemplary bravery;*
- 2. Commends and expresses the gratitude of the residents to the employers who in the spirit of patriotism maintain job security of their mobilized National Guard and Reserve employees;*
- 3. Commends and expresses the gratitude of residents to the families of those servicemembers who have borne the burden of separation from their loved ones and who have staunchly supported them;*
- 4. Expresses its condolences to the families of brave American and Allied servicemembers who have lost their lives.*